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Joint Resolution

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[S.J. Res. 136]

To authorize and request the President to issue a proclamation designating the calendar week beginning with Sunday, April 13, 1986, as "National Garden Week".

Whereas the gardeners of this country produce an abundance of food for our people and enable us to export food to other countries which are in desperate need; and

Whereas the gardeners help to preserve and foster our traditional spirit of independence and individual initiative; and

Whereas gardening instills in our people, both young and old, a greater appreciation for nature, in general, and for our beautiful land, in particular; and

Whereas such appreciation naturally leads to a greater respect and care for our environment; and

Whereas gardening, in addition to being most beneficial for our country, furnishes a pleasant, healthful, and productive full- or part-time activity for a large number of our citizens; and

Whereas our gardens also yield flowers of great variety and breath-taking beauty; and

Whereas these flowers bring beauty into our lives and satisfy our aesthetic needs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation—

(1) designating the calendar week beginning with Sunday, April 13, 1986, as "National Garden Week"; and

(2) urging Federal, State, and local government agencies, as well as citizens and private organizations, to observe that week with educational efforts, ceremonies, and other appropriate activities which shall include the wearing of garden flowers as a symbol of our appreciation for the efforts and contributions of our gardeners.

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